



Crane pulls car out of Provo River.

## Out-of-Control Automobile Lands In River; Occupant Slightly Hurt

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A Springville driver and his passenger wound up in the Provo River Monday morning after the man lost control of his car, according to the Utah Highway Patrol.

The passenger, Carol Grant, 27, 522 E. 600 N. Spanish Fork, received bumps and bruises in the mishap.

A UHP spokesman said Don Nielsen, 287 N. Main St., Springville, lost control of his vehicle in Provo Canyon on Monday morning. The car swerved off the road and landed in the Provo River, floating about 300 feet before coming to rest in the water.

Later that morning a crane removed the vehicle.



# Shot Put Champ Puts

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A 6-foot-6, 300 lb.-Swedish All-American who holds the Brigham Young University record for the shot put, who opted to teach instead of trying out for a professional football team, is bound to have a few stories circulating about him.

There's the one about Andres Arrhenius walking home with groceries in both hands when some Provo boys in a Volkswagen shot him in the leg with a B-B gun.

In one version of the tale, Arrhenius tipped over the VW. In another version he ripped off the car door. Another story has it that the boys were in a panel truck and Arrhenius knocked it over, too.

"I'll bet a missionary told you that story," laughs Arrhenius, as he watches his boys in P.E. class running around the gym to warm up. Before he came to the Provo Canyon School, he kept missionaries in shape at the Language Training Center.

"I never tipped over a car or panel truck or ripped off a door," he says with a big grin. "But my Swedish friends and I did catch up with those boys and I don't think they'll ever do that again."

BYU head track coach Clarence Robison, who first heard about Arrhenius from

several BYU Swedish athletes, says he'll never forget the day he met Arrhenius when the Swede first came to BYU.

"He was supposed to have had his hair cut," says Robison. "But there he was with long hair and a big red beard. He looked like he could have been at the helm of one of those Viking ships. I wondered what I had gotten myself into."

Robison says it took awhile, but Arrhenius slowly became "serious about serious things."

"At first he didn't care about anything much and he had no goals," says Robison. "Then when studies, religion and having a family became important to him, he was still the same easy-going, likable person he had always been."

Arrhenius went on to earn a master's degree, he made NCAA All-American and his BYU shot put record of 65-1 $\frac{1}{4}$  feet, 1979, still stands. He was Sweden's champion shot putter four times and he's been a member of the Swedish National Team for 15 years.

An injury kept him from the 1972 Olympics—something he says he's never regretted. Swedish athletes were to have had the rooms that were given to the Israeli team at the last minute. The Israelis were captured in their apartment by terrorists and murdered.

Robison says when football

scouts saw Arrhenius out of the weight room of years ago, they got him the 50-yard dash and amazed to clock the Swede running almost a half back.

"He's big and he can't say BYU head football coach LaVell Edwards. "He have made an awful defensive tackle."

Arrhenius says he's regretted his decision instead of playing football.

"Professional ball is life," says Arrhenius in Swedish accent. "It's for families. Besides, they weren't willing to work and I had never played in my life. When they asked to try out, other things become more important."

Arrhenius met and Kris, a returned missionary, a woman given missionary discourses. Arrhenius' mother in Sweden.

Arrhenius' mother told him: "I met two missionaries and the daughter would be the kind of girl would be good for you."

Kris had been Robison's secretary, one of the first ever had, Robison says.

"I'm more serious than Andres," says Kris. "The first came to BYU he would never have dated."

Arrhenius says although

## Three 'Y' Students Killed

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GOLD RUN, Calif. — Three foreign students from Brigham Young University were killed Saturday night 30 miles east of Auburn, Calif. when a Volkswagen Rabbit they were traveling in was struck head on by a four-wheel-drive vehicle driven by a woman who subsequently was charged with felony drunken driving.

Sunil K. Abraham, 24, and his 31-year-old wife, Mary and Philip Benjamin, 20, students at BYU had been picked up in Provo by friends from Colorado and were driving to San Jose, Calif. to visit during semester break when the accident occurred on an undivided highway. The Colorado friends, Thampachen, 29, his 22-year-old wife Usha and their one-year-old baby

Deepa, were also killed in the crash.

California Highway Patrol officers investigating the head-on collision reported that a car driven by Penelope Lipe, 42, of Homewood, Calif. swerved into the path of the Volkswagen, and the cars collided at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Officers reported that after the collision the Lipe vehicle landed on top of the small compact car transporting the BYU students.

Law enforcement officers said Lipe was charged with felony drunken driving, but hasn't been booked formally yet because of her injuries. She is reported in critical but stable condition with skull and neck injuries. Her seven-year-old son and another passenger received minor injuries.

Hal Williams, a spokesman for BYU, said that Sunil Abraham was a senior in

mechanical engineering at Brigham Young University in Singapore, and his wife Mary was a senior in chemical engineering at a university in southern India. Williams said the students had applied for graduate study and were planning to resume their education at BYU on their return to California.

Philip Benjamin, William Benjamin, a freshman in Computer Science at Brigham Young University in Singapore. His father, a man in Singapore and his mother, the parents of Sunil K. Abraham, expected to arrive in San Francisco today to claim the bodies of their children and return them to their families, said Williams.

Kunjunny Thompaechen was a senior in engineering and a graduate student at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo.